

Ms. Ana Rivas Logan, Board Member

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 09-105 OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RECOGNIZING 18 MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS HEALTHY SCHOOLS PROGRAM MEDAL RECIPIENTS

COMMITTEE: INSTRUCTIONAL EXCELLENCE AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**LINK TO DISTRICT
STRATEGIC PLAN: IMPROVE STUDENT HEALTH**

Nearly one in three children and adolescents in the U.S. is obese or overweight, making childhood obesity a serious concern for the nation. Miami-Dade County Public Schools met the call to action in 2005 by making healthy changes to school lunches, including more vegetables, low fat and whole wheat selections. In addition, sugary soda and high fat and caloric snacks were removed from vending machines.

The Alliance for a Healthier Generation - a joint partnership of the American Heart Association and the William J. Clinton Foundation - established the Healthy Schools Program to help schools develop and implement policies and practices to promote healthy eating and increase physical activity. Their mission is to significantly reduce childhood obesity by 2015 and empower children to make healthy lifestyle choices.

President Bill Clinton recently recognized over 100 schools from across the country for creating a healthy environment for students and staff through the Healthy Schools Program. Eighteen Miami-Dade County Public Schools received this honor. Three schools received silver medals, and 15 schools received the bronze medal.

The Healthy Schools Program Silver Award recipients include George Washington Carver Elementary, Silver Bluff Elementary, and Miami Edison Middle schools. The Healthy Schools Program Bronze Award recipients include Bent Tree Elementary, Blue Lakes Elementary, Calusa Elementary, Edison Park Elementary, Gertrude K. Edelman/Sabal Palm Elementary, Mae M. Walters Elementary, Melrose Elementary, North Miami Elementary, Olympia Heights Elementary, Royal Green Elementary, Scott Lake Elementary, South Pointe Elementary, Toussaint L'ouverture Elementary, Herbert A. Ammons Middle, and American Senior High schools.

**ACTION PROPOSED BY
MS. ANA RIVAS LOGAN:**

That The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-105 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing 18 Miami-Dade County Public Schools as Healthy Schools Program medal recipients.

**RESOLUTION NO. 09-105
OF THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA,
RECOGNIZING 18 MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS AS HEALTHY SCHOOLS
PROGRAM MEDAL RECIPIENTS**

WHEREAS, nearly one in three children and adolescents in the U.S. is obese or overweight, making childhood obesity a serious concern for the nation; and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County Public Schools met the call to action in 2005 by making healthy changes to school lunches, including more vegetable, low fat and whole wheat selections as well as removing sugary soda and high fat and caloric snacks from vending machines; and

WHEREAS, the Alliance for a Healthier Generation - a joint partnership of the American Heart Association and the William J. Clinton Foundation - established the Healthy Schools Program to help schools develop and implement policies and practices to promote healthy eating and increase physical activity; and

WHEREAS, President Bill Clinton recently recognized over 100 schools from across the country for creating a healthy environment for students and staff through the Healthy Schools Program including 18 Miami-Dade County Public Schools; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy Schools Program Silver Award recipients include George Washington Carver Elementary, Silver Bluff Elementary, and Miami Edison Middle schools; and

WHEREAS, the Healthy Schools Program Bronze Award recipients include Bent Tree Elementary, Blue Lakes Elementary, Calusa Elementary, Edison Park Elementary, Gertrude K. Edelman/Sabal Palm Elementary, Mae M. Walters Elementary, Melrose Elementary, North Miami Elementary, Olympia Heights Elementary, Royal Green Elementary, Scott Lake Elementary, South Pointe Elementary, Toussaint L'ouverture Elementary, Herbert A. Ammons Middle, and American Senior High schools;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, approve Resolution No. 09-105 of The School Board of Miami-Dade County, Florida, recognizing 18 Miami-Dade County Public Schools as Healthy Schools Program medal recipients.

A copy of this resolution is placed in the permanent records of this Board.

Presented this ninth day of September, A.D. 2009

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA

CHAIR

ATTEST:

Secretary